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In re Application of :
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APPARATUS THEREFOR :

COMMUNICATION

On 29 July 1999, applicants filed international application PCT/RU99/00264 which claimed a priority date of 25 November 1998 and which designated the United States. On 02 June 2000, a copy of the international application was communicated to the United States Patent And Trademark Office ("USPTO") by the International Bureau ("IB").

On 06 December 1999, a Demand was filed with the International Preliminary Examining Authority electing the United States. The election was made prior to the expiration of nineteen months from the priority date. As a result, the deadline for payment of the basic national fee was extended to expire thirty months from the priority date, i.e., 25 May 2001.

On 06 December 1999, applicants filed a transmittal letter for entry into the national stage in the United States accompanied by, among other materials, payment of the basic national fee, an executed declaration, and a translation of the international application into English. However, while the filed materials pertain to international application PCT/RU99/00264, the transmittal letter identifies the international application as PCT/RU98/00264.

Before this application can be processed further, applicants must submit a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 to correct the misidentification of the international application number in the transmittal letter filed on 06 December 1999. Such petition should include the required petition fee, a corrected transmittal letter properly identifying the international application, and a brief explanation as to the cause of the error (i.e., typographical error).

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